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## **MEMORANDUM**

TO: Certified Program Owners

FR: Kecia Bivins, Division Director of Regulatory Compliance

DA: April 2, 2015

RE: New Administrative Rule Amendment

The Department of Driver Services is pleased to announce that all administrative rules and policy amendments regarding Third Party Testing are now effective. The changes were made in an effort to foster consistency and uniformity within our regulations and policies. The following amendment became effective on April 1, 2015:

➤ DT Rule 375-5-2-.29 Minimum Requirements for Testers

> TPT Agreement Clause 3 Licenses and Certifications

The purpose of these amendments is to **increase the certification term of Testers to four years**. The previous Driver Training Rule and Third Party Testing Agreement stipulated that the certification term was valid for a period of two years from the date of issuance. These amendments **extend the certification terms by two years** and are consistent with the existing certification terms for the other Regulated Programs (Risk Reduction, Driver Improvement, Driver Training, and Ignition Interlock).

Please be advised that the expiration date on existing Certification Cards are still valid. Third Party Testers and Examiners will receive a four year term during their **next** recertification cycle. Please also note that Road Skills Tests may be conducted any day of the week (including Sundays and holidays) provided that they are documented and scheduled on the Weekly Notification Form sent to the assigned Field Analyst.

For the specific verbiage, please visit our website at  $\underline{www.dds.ga.gov/rules/index.aspx?head=375-5}$ . The Department's staff looks forward to assisting and answering any questions you may have. We can be reached by phone at 678-413-8745 or via e-mail at  $\underline{reginfo@dds.ga.gov}$ .

Thank you for helping to enhance the integrity of our regulated driver safety programs.

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